



Practitioner's Docket No. 03768/09379

**PATENT**

**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

In re application of: Howard M. Welch, Charles Morell, Michael C. Cook, Janes R. Fitts, Jr., Donald V. Willitts, Marion C. Morris, Ronald H. Wideman, John A. Brewer, Mark M. Mleziva, Ken M. Salter, Raymond J. May, Lavada Boggs, and Leslie D. Dobbins

Application No.: 09/855,169

Group No.: 1733

Filed: 05/14/2001

Examiner: Jeff Aftergut

For: METHOD AND APPARATUS FOR PRODUCING LAMINATED ARTICLES

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Commissioner for Patents

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**PETITION AND FEE FOR EXTENSION OF TIME (37 C.F.R. § 1.136(a))**

1. This is a petition for an extension of the time for a total period of two- months to an Office Action mailed October 3, 2003.
2. An amendment and response in connection with the matter for which this extension is requested is filed herewith.
3. Applicant is other than a small entity.
4. Calculation of extension fee (37 C.F.R. § 1.17(a)(1)-(5)):

Extension:

Two-months

Fee for other than small entity:

\$420.00

**Fee \$420.00**

If an additional extension of time is required, please consider this a petition therefor.

Extension fee due with this request \$420.00

5. Extended period for response

Based on the extension requested in this petition (and that for which a previous petition has been filed, if any), the extended period for response will expire on March 3, 2004.

6. Fee Payment

Attached is check no. 24139 in the amount of \$420.00.

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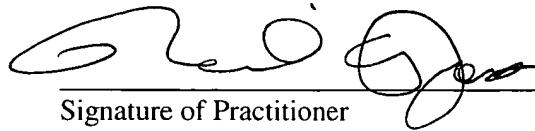
Charge any additional fees required by this paper or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 50-2548.

A duplicate copy of this paper is attached.

Date: March 3, 2004

Reg. No.: 35,561

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A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Neil C. Jones", written over a horizontal line.

Signature of Practitioner

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